(b) if so, what is the capacity of the unit;

(c) whether Government prcpose to in-stal RSUs in al! the major cities; and

(d) how long it will take to manufacture j the RSUs on commercial basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : Yes Sir.

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(b) RSU has a maximum capacity of 1600 lines.

(c) There is no proposal to install RSUs in all major cities. RSUs will be installed on local needs of configuration of equip-ment which vary from place to place.

(d) the Vendors can take up commercial production only after technology has been transferred by C-DOT after obtaining required approval.

REPORT OF ATHREYA COMMITTEE

2487. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN : WiH the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of the Report of Athreya Committee set up for the re-organisation of the Telecom System : and

(b) what steps Government have taken to implement the report ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) The Athreya Committee in its report has recommended that the Department of Telecommunications/field organisations should be restructured into 6 corporations namely India Telecom Operating Corporation as Holding Company, 4 Zonal Telecom Operating Corporations and one long distance connector corporation.

(b) *The* recommetiidations of the Athreya Committee are under active consideration of the Government.

हिमाचल प्रदेश में डाक-घर भवन का निर्माण

2488. श्री महेश्वर सिंह : क्या संचार मंत्री 14 जुलाई 1992 को राज्य सभा में तारांकित प्रश्न 84 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखने और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) हिमाचल प्रदेश के किन्नौर जिला किन्नौर में प्रधान डाक-घर के भवन के निर्माण की अद्यतन स्थिति क्या है ;

(ख) क्या कुल्लू हिमाचल प्रदेश में डाक-घर भवन के निर्माण की मंजूरी दी गई है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो कब और यदि नहीं तो इसके क्या कारण हैं और निर्माण कार्य कब तक प्रारम्भ होने की संभावना है ?

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(क) 40 प्रतिशत कार्य समाप्त हो चुका है ।

(ख) और (ग) जी हां । मंजूरी 2-9-93 को दी गई थी । निर्माण कार्य मार्च, 1994 तक प्रारम्भ हो जाने की संभावना है ।

IMPROVEMENT OP RURM, TFXE-COM SECTOR iN ANDHRA PRADESH

2489. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a)) whether Govarnnaeat propose ta hand-over telephone excbanges to privae sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to improve me functioning of rural telecom exchanges; and

(d) whether any pilot projects are pro-posed in Andhra Pracesh to improve rural telephone sector ?

TOE MINISTER OF STATU OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI SUKH RAM) (a) No, Sir,

(b) Does not ariss in view of (a*)* above.